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INTRODUCTION

In 1997, at the request of the EMS Authority's interim director and under the guidance of the California Commission on Emergency Medical Services and the EMS Authority, California's EMS community embarked upon an aggressive and unprecedented statewide EMS planning process that culminated in the development of a first-ever State EMS Plan. EMS constituency groups joined the EMS Authority in ensuring the success of this effort.

EMS constituents as well as experts from NHTSA identified the importance of a statewide EMS data system and the System Evaluation and Improvement Committee was formed. The data set and quality indicators required a system that would house the data. To meet the need for the creation of a statewide EMS data system, the EMS Authority sought and obtained grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS).

The California Emergency Medical Services Information System (CEMSIS) was designed by the EMS Authority to house and analyze data collected by the Local EMS agencies (LEMSA's). The CEMSIS will serve as a tool for LEMSAs and EMS providers to compare their services to those provided by other LEMSAs and providers for administrative and continual quality improvement efforts. The objective of the project was to create a statewide database of EMS-based patient information and to then link that data whenever possible to data from other systems such as hospital discharge and emergency department data, to create a picture of the EMS care continuum and, ultimately, a picture of the emergency response system. The Web-based reporting system for CEMSIS was demonstrated at an EMS conference in December 2002 using scrambled EMS data.

The current EMS Data Committee is charged with the implementation of the CEMSIS system and the approval and implementation of the developed Quality Indicators. With the release in 2004 of the NHTSA draft of a proposed National Emergency Medical Services Information System (NEMSIS) the committee expanded its scope to ensure that the needs for national data would be met by CEMSIS. In early 2005 the Mountain Valley EMS Agency operating under a Preventive Health and Safety block grant undertook the comparison of CEMSIS and NEMSIS. This document and the information herein are largely the result of this committee's work.

The CEMSIS will provide local agencies with the data and comparative analysis tools they need to assess and improve the quality of their EMS system, including dispatch, patient care and transport. The processing of information at the state level in the CEMSIS will be for use in Strategic Planning and system evaluation.

The creation and implementation of the (CEMSIS) provides a quality improvement tool consisting of:

- A statewide database of prehospital care data;
- The establishment and maintenance of a core data set for California EMS that is based on the current standard data set (NEMSIS);
- The establishment of submission timelines for the provision of EMS data to the EMS Authority;
- A data warehouse for matching EMS prehospital data with other state and national databases (e.g., Emergency Department and Discharge data from the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, and death data from the Center for Vital Statistics of the Department of Health Services);
- The ability to share data among EMS provider participants;
- The ability to share data with other state contributors;
- The ability to calculate medical quality indicators based on the data elements collected for use in continual improvement of the delivery of prehospital care;
- The ability to calculate structural indicators and general statistics for use in administering EMS programs at all levels to support continuous quality improvement and linkages;
- A mechanism to formally link the data needs and quality improvement goals of the EMS Authority, LEMSAs and EMS Providers (including Emergency Departments and specialty care centers) to minimize duplication and redundancy;
- Research data for the promotion of injury prevention, public information, utilization of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) and educational activities including citizen first aid and CPR programs as well as appropriate EMS access;
- Information that will formally identify the instances of multiple EMS service providers (e.g., first responder followed by transport provider) and the need for a common patient care record process.

INSTRUCTIONS

Data
Element
Identifier

National Minimum Element

(This will be present if the element is a NEMSIS Core Element. If it is not present, the data element will be either California specific or a NEMSIS elective element)

Title Name of the Data Element

Data Format The format should be reviewed by IT staff

Definition Description of what the data element will contain

Technical Information This section should be reviewed by IT staff. It is recommended that the IT staff go to www.nemsis.org and obtain technical information from the website.

XSD Data Type	XSD Domain (Simple Type)
Multiple Entry Configuration	Accepts Null Value
Required in XSD	

Field Values The values or code set (variables) associated with the data element

Data Collector Description of who will be collecting the data

Content Describes the data element including some technical requirements

Discussion Any additional information that may be needed to explain the data element and how it may be utilized

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison Provides explanation of whether this data element is exactly like the NEMSIS element or has been modified

Additional Information:

NEMSIS stands for the National Emergency Medical Services Information System. NEMSIS is the national repository that will be used to potentially store EMS data from every state in the nation. CEMSIS stands for the California Emergency Medical Services Information System and will serve as the California repository for EMS data. CEMSIS is designed to interact with NEMSIS.

Within this document, the recommended "Core" National EMS Dataset to be collected at the national level for every EMS Patient Encounter is noted by a "Minimal National Element" notation. These elements are considered the minimum data set. The

"California Specific Elements" are those "Core" elements that are specific to California EMS and cannot be found in the National EMS Dataset. The remainder of the elements listed under "Core" but do not have the "Minimal National Element" notation are obtained from the "Elective" National EMS Dataset that the California EMS Data Committee determined to be essential to assess California's EMS system. The remainder of the "Elective" National EMS Dataset will be incorporated into the California data system. These elements have not been modified for California and can be found at www.nemsis.org.

The EMS data elements are a subset of information describing a complete EMS event. This includes information which is considered important from an EMS system, EMS personnel, and an EMS patient's perspective. The data elements within the EMS dataset provide documentation of the system performance and clinical care. Many data elements are a component of an EMS Medical Record, and the majority of the remaining data elements are important for quality management and performance improvement initiatives.

The EMS data elements also include information associated with EMS billing and reimbursement. This information is typically completed by EMS personnel for each patient encounter, although some of the information can be obtained electronically from the dispatch center, past EMS medical records, or medical devices.

The demographic data elements are a subset of information describing each EMS agency, EMS personnel, and important system information that is needed to generate reports at the local, state, and national level.

This information is typically completed and reviewed once per year and updated as changes for an EMS system or for any EMS personnel occur. This information is not collected with each patient encounter, but is electronically attached to each patient encounter to make the data more useful and allow more efficient documentation by EMS personnel.



Core Elements

California Specific Elements

LEMSA IDENTIFIER

Data Format [combo] single choice

Definition

The unique identifier for the LEMSA that is responsible for the EMS incident.

Technical Information (to be developed)

XSD Data Type	XSD Domain (Simple Type)
Multiple Entry Configuration	Accepts Null Value
Required in XSD	

Field Values

A unique value; no variable list is possible.

Data Collector

911 or Dispatch Center and electronically transmitted to the EMS provider agency. Assigned by LEMSA at central data collection site.

Content

This identifier must be unique within California for the Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA). In single-county LEMSAs, it should be the standard alphanumeric California County Code. Multi-county LEMSAs will be assigned a code. This element is considered to be a technical core element (necessary for submission of record.)

Discussion

The LEMSA Identifier will be used with the PSAP Identifier and the Incident Identifier to uniquely identify the EMS incident within California. This identifier will be used to link information for a particular LEMSA to create a LEMSA profile.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

No match

PSAP IDENTIFIER

Data Format [text]

Definition

The unique identifier for the primary Public Safety Answering Point that answered the 9-1-1 (or other) call for the EMS Incident.

Technical (to be developed)

XSD Data Type	XSD Domain (Simple
Multiple Entry	Accepts Null
Required in XSD	

Field Values

A unique value; no variable list is possible.

Additional Information

This element captures the identifier for the PSAP that received the request

Data Collector

911 or Dispatch Center and electronically transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

This identifier should be the unique 4-character PSAP ID used by NENA (the National Emergency Number Association), if available in the LEMSA data. If the LEMSA database does not contain the NENA PSAP ID, another identifier or mechanism must be used.

Discussion

The PSAP Identifier will be used with the LEMSA Identifier and the Incident Identifier to uniquely identify the EMS incident over time.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

No match

SERVICE AREA

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

Description of the provider's primary service area

Technical (to be developed)

XSD Data Type Multiple Entry Required in XSD	XSD Domain (Simple Accepts Null
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Field Values

- Urban
- Suburban
- Rural
- Wilderness

Additional Information

The variables for this element are specific to CEMSIS

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element. Definitions will be developed.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

No match.

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

Factors that may have contributed to the seriousness of the injury and influenced triage decisions

Technical (to be developed)

XSD Data Type	XSD Domain (Simple
Multiple Entry	Accepts Null
Required in XSD	

Field Values

- ? ejection from automobile
- ? death in same passenger compartment
- ? extrication time >20 minutes
- ? falls >20 feet
- ? rollover
- ? initial speed from auto crash >40 mph
- ? major auto deformity >20 inches
- ? intrusion into passenger compartment >12 inches
- ? auto-pedestrian/auto-bicycle injury with significant (>5 mph) impact
- ? pedestrian thrown or run over
- ? motorcycle crash >20 mph or with separation of rider from bike
- ? age <5 or >55
- ? cardiac disease, respiratory disease
- ? insulin-dependent diabetes, cirrhosis, or morbid obesity
- ? pregnancy
- ? immunosuppressed
- ? bleeding disorder or patient on anticoagulants

Additional Information

Complete only if Possible Injury (E09_04) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element

Discussion

Adopted from "Resources for Optimal Care of the Injured Patient: 1999 Committee on Trauma, American College of Surgeons.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

No match



Core Elements

**Elements adopted from
NEMSIS**

EMS AGENCY TIME ZONE

Data Format [text]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The time zone for the EMS Agency

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	xs:integer	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	EMSAgencyTimeZone
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- GMT-11:00 Midway Island, Samoa
- GMT-09:00 Alaska
- GMT-10:00 Hawaii
- GMT-08:00 Pacific Time
- GMT-07:00 Mountain Time
- GMT-06:00 Central Time
- GMT-05:00 Eastern Time
- GMT-04:00 Atlantic Time

Discussion

Allows data to be tracked in comparison to other systems and times to better correlate in any analysis. All dates/times are to be transmitted using Greenwich meantime. The time zone of the provider agency must be known to use these times appropriately.

Data Collector

EMS Provider Agency and typically only documented once then verified and updated yearly or when changed

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

VEHICLE TYPE

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

Vehicle type of unit (ambulance, fire, truck, etc.)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>VehicleType</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	No		
XSD Structure: (1) Data Elements D06_01 through D06_10 are all within the Vehicle Information Structure			

Field Values

- ? Ambulance
- ? ATV
- ? Bicycle
- ? Boat
- ? Fire Truck
- ? Fixed Wing
- ? Motorcycle
- ? Private Vehicle
- ? Quick Response Vehicle (Non-Transport Vehicle other than Fire Truck)
- ? Rescue
- ? Rotor Craft
- ? Other

Data Collector

EMS Agency and typically only documented once then verified and updated yearly or when changed

Content

Vehicle Type contains character sub-fields that describe the vehicle: response classification, medical classification, and vehicle classification to which the crew member providing treatment is attached. These sub-fields must be coded using the above code

Discussion

This character code identifies the type of vehicle that the crew member providing patient care was assigned to.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PATIENT CARE REPORT NUMBER

Data Format [text]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The unique number automatically assigned by the EMS provider agency or local EMS agency for each patient care report (PCR). This is a unique number to the EMS agency.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PatientCareReportNumber</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	3
		Maximum Constraint	32

Field Values

A unique value; no variable list is possible.

Additional Information

Not nullable. A unique value must be provided to create a unique record ID within a database

Data Collector

EMS provider agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

This identifier must be unique within the LEMSA for each EMS patient for a given EMS provider for a given EMS incident.

Discussion

The PCR Identifier will be used with the Incident Identifier and the Response Identifier to uniquely identify the record of care provided to a patient by the crew members from a particular EMS provider agency for a particular EMS incident.

CEMIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element.

EMS PROVIDER AGENCY NUMBER

Data Format [text]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The state-assigned provider number of the responding agency

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>EMSAgencyNumber</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	3
		Maximum Constraint	15

Field Values

A unique value; no variable list is possible.

Additional Information

- ? Same as EMS Agency Number (D01_01)
- ? Not nullable. A unique value must be provided to create a unique record ID within a database

Data Collector

Collected by the EMS provider agency or auto-generated by the EMS provider agency specific software.

Content

This identifier must be unique within California, and should be the HIPAA NPI (National Provider Identifier), FDID or other standard number indicator.

Discussion

This code must uniquely identify the EMS response agency (i.e., EMS provider organization) that provided one or more units in response to an EMS incident.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

INCIDENT NUMBER

Data Format [text]

Definition

The incident number assigned by the 911 Dispatch System

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>IncidentNumber</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	15

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS agency

Content

This identifier, when combined with the PSAP Identifier, must be unique within the Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA) for an EMS incident over time (i.e., it must provide uniqueness in the CEMSIS database, which will contain EMS data fo

Discussion

The Incident Identifier will be used with the PSAP Identifier and the LEMS A Identifier to uniquely identify the EMS incident within California. This identifier may be valuable for linking EMS data with other data related to the incident.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF SERVICE REQUESTED

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The type of service or category of service requested of the EMS service responding for this specific EMS incident.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TypeOfServiceRequested</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- ? 911 Response (Scene)
- ? Intercept
- ? Interfacility Transfer
- ? Medical Transport
- ? Mutual Aid
- ? Standby

Data Collector

EMS provider agency or may be electronically provided through the 9-1-1 or dispatch center

Content

A single character code for the type of EMS provided.

Discussion

This code identifies the type of service provided, definitions will be developed.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element.

Specific Definitions for each of the variables.

We have intentionally not defined the variables for Type of Service beyond what is documented. The intent of the variables is as follows:

- 911 Response = any unscheduled EMS response to a scene originating from 911 or the dispatch center
- Intercept = a response where an EMS vehicle or unit is meeting up with or intercepting with another EMS vehicle or unit already caring for a patient to either increase the level of service or resources associated with the patient care or service delivery
- Interfacility Transfer = a response or service which is involved in the movement of a patient between two healthcare facilities; this is typically two hospitals.
- Medical Transport = a response or service based on a schedule request. An example would be between a nursing home and a physician's office.
- Mutual Aid = a response or service request from an EMS agency outside of the service area
- Standby = a response or service request not associated with a specific patient scenario but associated with a high-risk event. This could be a public event, structure fire, etc.

PRIMARY ROLE OF THE UNIT

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The primary role of the EMS service which was requested for this specific EMS incident.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PrimaryRollOfTheUnit</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- Non-Transport
- Rescue
- Supervisor
- Transport

Data Collector

EMS provider agency or may be electronically provided through the 9-1-1 or dispatch center

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF DISPATCH DELAY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The dispatch delays, if any, associated with the dispatch of the EMS unit to the patient encounter

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TypeOfDispatchDelay</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Caller (Uncooperative)
- ? High Call Volume
- ? Language Barrier
- ? Location (Inability to Obtain)
- ? No Units Available
- ? Scene Safety (Not Secure for EMS)
- ? Technical Failure (Computer, Phone etc.)
- ? None
- ? Other

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF RESPONSE DELAY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The response delays, if any, of the unit associated with the patient encounter

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TypeOfResponseDelay</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Crowd
- ? Directions
- ? Diversion
- ? Distance
- ? HazMat
- ? Safety
- ? Staff Delay
- ? Traffic
- ? Vehicle Crash
- ? Vehicle Failure
- ? Weather
- ? None
- ? Other

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF SCENE DELAY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The scene delays, if any, of the unit associated with the patient encounter

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TypeOfSceneDelay</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Crowd
- ? Directions
- ? Distance
- ? Diversion
- ? Extrication >20 min.
- ? HazMat
- ? Language Barrier
- ? Safety
- ? Staff Delay
- ? Traffic
- ? Vehicle Crash
- ? Vehicle Failure
- ? Weather
- ? None
- ? Other

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF TRANSPORT DELAY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The transport delays, if any, of the unit associated with the patient encounter

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TypeOfTransportDelay</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Crowd
- ? Directions
- ? Distance
- ? Diversion
- ? HazMat
- ? Safety
- ? Staff Delay
- ? Traffic
- ? Vehicle Crash
- ? Vehicle Failure
- ? Weather
- ? None
- ? Other

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF TURN-AROUND DELAY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The turn-around delays, if any, associated with the EMS unit associated with the patient encounter

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TypeOfTurnAroundDelay</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Clean-up
- ? Decontamination
- ? Documentation
- ? ED Overcrowding
- ? Equipment Failure
- ? Equipment Replenishment
- ? Staff Delay
- ? Vehicle Failure
- ? None
- ? Other

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

EMS UNIT CALL SIGN (RADIO NUMBER)

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The EMS unit number used to dispatch and communicate with the unit. This may be the same as the EMS Unit/Vehicle Number in many agencies.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>EMSUnitCallSign</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	15

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Not nullable. A unique value must be provided to create a unique record ID within a database

Data Collector

EMS provider agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

RESPONSE MODE TO SCENE

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication whether or not lights and/or sirens were used on the vehicle on the way to the scene

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>ResponseModeToScene</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null No
Required in XSD Yes	

Field Values

- ? Initial Lights and Sirens, Downgraded to No Lights or Sirens
- ? Initial No Lights or Sirens, Upgraded to Lights and Sirens
- ? Lights and Sirens
- ? No Lights or Sirens

Data Collector

EMS provider agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

The code that identifies the use of lights and/or sirens in route to the incident scene.

Discussion

This field provides the data to determine the frequency with which EMS vehicles are using lights and/or sirens during response to the EMS incident scene.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

COMPLAINT REPORTED BY DISPATCH

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The complaint dispatch reported to the responding unit.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>ComplaintReportedByDispatch</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD Yes	

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Abdominal Pain
- ? Allergies
- ? Animal Bite
- ? Assault
- ? Back Pain
- ? Breathing Problem
- ? Burns
- ? CO Poisoning/Hazmat
- ? Cardiac Arrest
- ? Chest Pain
- ? Choking
- ? Convulsions/Seizure
- ? Diabetic Problem
- ? Drowning
- ? Electrocutation
- ? Eye Problem
- ? Fall Victim
- ? Headache
- ? Heart Problems
- ? Heat/Cold Exposure
- ? Hemorrhage/Laceration
- ? Industrial Accident/Inaccessible Incident/Other Entrapments (non-vehicle)
- ? Ingestion/Poisoning
- ? Pregnancy/Childbirth
- ? Psychiatric Problem
- ? Sick Person
- ? Stab/Gunshot Wound
- ? Stroke/CVA
- ? Traffic Accident
- ? Traumatic Injury
- ? Unconscious/Fainting
- ? Unknown Problem Person Down

- ? Transfer/Interfacility/Palliative Care
- ? MCI (Mass Casualty Incident)

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS agency

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DRAFT

EMD PERFORMED

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication of whether EMD was performed for this EMS event.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>EMDPerformed</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- 0 No
- ? Yes, With Pre-Arrival Instructions
- ? Yes, Without Pre-Arrival Instructions

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CREW MEMBER LEVEL

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The functioning level of the crew member during this EMS patient encounter.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *CrewMemberLevel*

Multiple Entry Configuration Yes, via structure **Accepts Null** Yes

Required in XSD No

XSD Structure: E04_01, E04_02, E04_03 are all members of the E04 Unit Personnel Information structure

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? First Responder
- ? EMT Basic
- ? EMT Intermediate
- ? EMT Paramedic
- ? Nurse
- ? Physician
- ? Student
- ? Other Healthcare Professional
- ? Other Non-Healthcare Professional
- Public Safety (including volunteer)

Additional Information

Could be auto-filled using Crew Member ID (E04_01) and connecting to State/ Licensure ID Number (D07_02) to obtain Personnel's Highest Level of Certification/ Licensure for Agency (D07_05). Note: These are elective NEMSIS data elements.

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

This data element will be used at the state level in computing general statistics (e.g., the percentage of responses involving each level). This element is connected with data element DO6_03 (Vehicle Type)

Discussion

This data element is used to determine the level of care that was available on the EMS responder team. This data element and the Vehicle Type will identify the type of EMS capability that was available

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

NHTSA 2.2.1 allows for customization by state to capture state specific certification levels.

Quality Indicators Supported

MA1 - CORE INDICATOR: MANPOWER

DRAFT

PSAP CALL DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the phone rings (911 call to public safety answering point or other designated entity) requesting EMS services.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DISPATCH NOTIFIED DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

Definition

The date/time dispatch was notified by the 911 call taker (if a separate entity)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the incident was first reported to the EMS Response Agency dispatcher. Midnight is ‘000000’ and begins the day.

Discussion

Ideally, this will be recorded automatically in Pacific Standard or Daylight Time by a CAD or AVL system using ‘universal time’ from a GPS receiver. It should be obtained electronically, if possible, from the primary or secondary PSAP

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

UNIT NOTIFIED BY DISPATCH DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date the responding unit was notified by dispatch

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990 Maximum Constraint 2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

- ? If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a "tick", the referenced variables may also be used
- ? Not nullable. A unique value must be provided to create a unique record ID within a database

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the incident was first reported to the EMS response unit. Midnight is '000000' and begins the day.

Discussion

Ideally, this will be recorded automatically in Pacific Standard or Daylight Time by a CAD or AVL system using 'universal time' from a GPS receiver. It should be obtained electronically, if possible, from the secondary PSAP.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

UNIT EN ROUTE DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the unit responded; that is, the time the vehicle started moving

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the EMS response unit began to move to the incident scene. Midnight is ‘000000’ and begins the day.

Discussion

Ideally, this will be recorded automatically in Pacific Standard or Daylight Time by a CAD or AVL system using ‘universal time’ from a GPS receiver. It should be obtained electronically, if possible, from the secondary PSAP.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

UNIT ARRIVED ON SCENE DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the responding unit arrived on the scene; that is, the time the vehicle stopped moving

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a "tick", the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the EMS response unit stopped moving (i.e., 'wheels stopped rolling' at the last place at the scene before patient assessment began). Midnight is '000000' and begins the day.

Discussion

Ideally, this will be recorded automatically in Pacific Standard or Daylight Time by a CAD or AVL system using 'coordinated universal time' from a GPS receiver. It should be obtained electronically, if possible, from the secondary PSAP.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

ARRIVED AT PATIENT DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the responding unit arrived at the patient's side

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a "tick", the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the first EMS responder arrived at the patient's side and began assessing the patient's condition. Midnight is '000000' and begins the day. Use the default of "00" for seconds when necessary.

Discussion

Ideally, this is the time of arrival at the patient in Pacific Standard or Daylight Time as recorded using 'coordinated universal time' from a GPS receiver in a Personal Digital Assistant or other electronic device. It should be obtained electronically.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

UNIT LEFT SCENE DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the responding unit left the scene (started moving)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the EMS response unit started moving from the scene to its destination (i.e., ‘wheels rolling’ to the hospital or transfer point). Midnight is ‘000000’ and begins the day.

Discussion

This time should be obtained from Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) data, if possible. Although an observed time from PCR Data is acceptable for this field, if any ‘upstream times’ in the EMS response were determined using GPS universal time.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PATIENT ARRIVED AT DESTINATION DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the responding unit arrived with the patient at the destination or transfer point

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the EMS response unit stopped moving at its destination (i.e., ‘wheels stopped rolling’ at the hospital or transfer point). Midnight is ‘000000’ and begins the day.

Discussion

This time should be obtained from Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) data, if possible. Although an observed time from PCR Data is acceptable for this field, if any ‘upstream times’ in the EMS response were determined using GPS universal time. Permits calculation of the time period from scene departure to destination arrival.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

UNIT BACK IN SERVICE DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the unit was back in service and available for response (finished with call, but not necessarily back in home location)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS provider agency

Content

The hour, minute, and second that the EMS response unit is ready for the next call

Discussion

This time represents the time when a unit is ready and available to respond to the next request for service.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

UNIT BACK AT HOME LOCATION DATE/TIME

Data Format [date/time]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The date/time the responding unit was back in their service area. In agencies who utilized Agency Status Management, home location means the service area as assigned through the agency status management protocol.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a “tick”, the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

9-1-1 or Dispatch Center and electronically or verbally transmitted to the EMS agency

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

LAST NAME

Data Format [text]

Definition

The patient's last (family) name

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>LastName</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	20

XSD Structure: E06_01, E06_02, and E06_03 are all members of the E06_01_0 Patient Name Structure

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Local policy should dictate how Last Name and First Name should be created if Unknown

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

"Unknown" is used when the patient name is not known.

Discussion

This data element will be **encrypted**, stored separately and removed from the CEMSIS database after probabilistic matching. No patient identifying information will be available from the CEMSIS; only aggregate data.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PATIENT'S HOME ZIP CODE

Data Format [text]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The patient's home ZIP code of residence

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Zip</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	10
XSD Structure: E06_04, E06_05, E06_06, E06_07, E06_08 are all members of the E06_04_0 Patient Address Structure			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Can be stored as a 5 or 9 digit code

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

This field will be coded using the 5 or 9 digit postal zip code.

Discussion

Provides the postal zip code of the patient's residence.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PARTIAL SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's partial social security number

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>SocialSecurityNumber</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	5

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

Document the last 5 digits of the patient's Social Security Number (SSN) when it is available.

Discussion

When provided, the SSN will be **encrypted**, stored separately and purged from the CEMSIS Database after probabilistic matching. No patient identifying information will be available from the CEMSIS, only aggregate data

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

The CEMSIS data element is a partial match to NEMSIS v2.2.1 but will allow data transmittal to NEMSIS

GENDER

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The patient's gender

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Gender</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Male
- ? Female

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

The character code will reflect female, male, or unknown.

Discussion

This data element is valuable for linkage to other files, and permits reporting of epidemiologic information by gender.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

RACE

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The patient's race as defined by the OMB (US Office of Management and Budget)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>Race</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD Yes	

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? American Indian or Alaska Native
- ? Asian
- ? Black or African American
- ? Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- ? White
- ? Other Race

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

ETHNICITY

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The patient's ethnicity as defined by the OMB (US Office of Management and Budget)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>Ethnicity</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD Yes	

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Hispanic or Latino
- ? Not Hispanic or Latino

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

AGE

Data Format [number] *National Minimum Element*

Definition
The patient's age (either calculated from date of birth or best approximation)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	Age
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	1
		Maximum Constraint	120
XSD Structure: E06_14 and E06_15 are members of the E06_14_0 Patient's Age Structure			

Field Values
Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information
Could be calculated from Date of Birth (E06_16)

Data Collector
EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content
Patient's age in years, months, or days.

Discussion
Patient's age is reported in years, months or days, as follows: If the patient is a less than one month old infant, the age is reported in days; If the patient is a child that is at > 1 month old but than 2 years old, the age is reported in months

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison
This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

AGE UNITS

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The units which the age is documented in (Hours, Days, Months, Years)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *AgeUnits*

Multiple Entry Configuration No **Accepts Null** Yes

Required in XSD Yes

XSD Structure: E06_14 and E06_15 are members of the E06_14_0 Patient's Age Structure

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Hours

? Days

? Months

? Years

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

The character will reflect Year, Month, Day, or Hour.

Discussion

Patient's age is reported in years, months or days, as follows: If the patient is < one day old, the age is reported in hours; If the patient is a less than one month old infant, the age is reported in days; If the patient is a child that is at > 1 month old but < than 2 years old, the age is reported in months

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DATE OF BIRTH

Data Format [date]

Definition

The patient's date of birth

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:date</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateOfBirth</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1,890
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

Day, month and year of the patient's birth.

Discussion

The date of birth (DOB) should be from the most reliable source available to the EMS responder (e.g., driver's license, parent of a child, etc). The DOB will be encrypted, stored separately and purged from the CEMSIS database after matching is done.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PRIMARY METHOD OF PAYMENT

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The primary method of payment or type of insurance associated with this EMS encounter

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PrimaryMethodOfPayment</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Insurance
- ? Medicaid
- ? Medicare
- ? Not Billed (for any reason)
- ? Other Government
- ? Self Pay
- ? Workers Compensation

Data Collector

EMS personnel or electronically through linkage with a pre-existing Patient Care Report or hospital database

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CMS SERVICE LEVEL

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services service level for this EMS encounter.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>CMSServiceLevel</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? BLS
- ? BLS, Emergency
- ? ALS, Level 1
- ? ALS, Level 1 Emergency
- ? ALS, Level 2
- ? Paramedic Intercept
- ? Specialty Care Transport
- ? Fixed Wing (Airplane)
- ? Rotary Wing (Helicopter)

Data Collector

EMS personnel unless the EMS Agency has professional billing personnel to provide this function

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CONDITION CODE NUMBER

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The condition codes associated with the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services EMS negotiated rule-making process.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	xs:string	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	ConditionCodeNumber
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	30
XSD Structure: E07_35, E07_36 are members of E07_35_0 Condition Codes Structure			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Severe Abdominal Pain (ALS-789.00)
- ? Abdominal Pain (ALS-789.00)
- ? Abnormal Cardiac Rhythm/Cardiac Dysrhythmia (ALS-427.9)
- ? Abnormal Skin Signs (ALS-780.8)
- ? Abnormal Vital Signs (ALS-796.4)
- ? Allergic Reaction (ALS- 995.0)
- ? Allergic Reaction (BLS-692.9)
- ? Blood Glucose (ALS-790.21)
- ? Respiratory Arrest (ALS-799.1)
- ? Difficulty Breathing (ALS-786.05)
- ? Cardiac Arrest-Resuscitation in Progress (ALS-427.5)
- ? Chest Pain (non- traumatic) (ALS-786.50)
- ? Choking Episode (ALS-784.9)
- ? Cold Exposure (ALS-991.6)
- ? Cold Exposure (BLS-991.9)
- ? Altered Level of Consciousness (non- traumatic) (ALS-780.01)
- ? Convulsions/Seizures (ALS-780.39)
- ? Eye Symptoms (non- traumatic) (BLS-379.90)
- ? Non Traumatic Headache (ALS-437.9)
- ? Cardiac Symptoms other than Chest Pain (palpitations) (ALS-785.1)
- ? Cardiac Symptoms other than Chest Pain (atypical pain) (ALS-536.2)
- ? Heat Exposure (ALS-992.5)
- ? Heat Exposure (BLS-992.2)
- ? Hemorrhage (ALS-459.0)
- ? Infectious Diseases requiring Isolation/Public Health Risk (BLS-038.9)
- ? Hazmat Exposure (ALS-987.9)
- ? Medical Device Failure (ALS-996.0)
- ? Medical Device Failure (BLS-996.3)
- ? Neurologic Distress (ALS-436.0)

- ? Pain (Severe) (ALS-780.99)
- ? Back Pain (non-traumatic possible cardiac or vascular) (ALS-724.5)
- ? Back Pain (non- traumatic with neurologic symptoms) (ALS-724.9)
- ? Poisons (all routes) (ALS-977.9)
- ? Alcohol Intoxication or Drug Overdose (BLS-305.0)
- ? Severe Alcohol Intoxication (ALS-977.3)
- ? Post-Operative Procedure Complications (BLS-998.9)
- ? Pregnancy Complication/Childbirth/Labor (ALS-650.0)
- ? Psychiatric/Behavioral (abnormal mental status) (ALS-292.9)
- ? Psychiatric/Behavioral (threat to self or others) (BLS-298.9)
- ? Sick Person-Fever (BLS-036.9)
- ? Severe Dehydration (ALS-787.01)
- ? Unconscious/ Syncope/Dizziness (ALS-780.02)
- ? Major Trauma (ALS-959.8)
- ? Other Trauma (need for monitor or airway) (ALS-518.5)
- ? Other Trauma (major bleeding) (ALS-958.2)
- ? Other Trauma (fracture/dislocation) (BLS-829.0)
- ? Other Trauma (penetrating extremity) (BLS-880.0)
- ? Other Trauma (amputation digits) (BLS-886.0)
- ? Other Trauma (amputation other) (ALS-887.4)
- ? Other Trauma (suspected internal injuries) (ALS-869.0)
- ? Burns-Major (ALS-949.3)
- ? Burns-Minor (BLS-949.2)
- ? Animal Bites/Sting/Envenomation (ALS-989.5)
- ? Animal Bites/ Sting/Envenomation (BLS-879.8)
- ? Lightning (ALS-994.0)
- ? Electrocution (ALS-994.8)
- ? Near Drowning (ALS-994.1)
- ? Eye Injuries (BLS-921.9)
- ? Sexual Assault (major injuries) (ALS-995.83)
- ? Sexual Assault (minor injuries) (BLS-995.8)
- ? Cardiac/Hemodynamic Monitoring Required (ALS-428.9)
- ? Advanced Airway Management (ALS-518.81)
- ? IV Meds Required (ALS-No ICD code provided)
- ? Chemical Restraint (ALS-293.0)
- ? Suctioning/Oxygen/IV fluids required (BLS-496.0)
- ? Airway Control/Positioning Required (BLS-786.09)
- ? Third Party Assistance/Attendant Required (BLS-496.0)
- ? Patient Safety (restraints required) (BLS-298.9)
- ? Patient Safety (monitoring required) (BLS-293.1)
- ? Patient Safety (seclusion required) (BLS-298.8)
- ? Patient Safety (risk of falling off stretcher) (BLS-781.3)
- ? Special Handling (Isolation) (BLS-041.9)
- ? Special Handling (orthopedic device required) (BLS-907.2)
- ? Special Handling (positioning required) (BLS-719.45)

Additional Information

- ? From the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Ambulance Fee Schedule Condition Based Coding
- ? A list of 95 Condition Codes which are mapped to ICD-9 Codes. The number of the Condition Code should be stored in this field

Data Collector

EMS personnel unless the EMS Agency has professional billing personnel to provide this function

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

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NUMBER OF PATIENTS AT SCENE

Data Format [combo] single-choice *National Minimum Element*

Definition
Indicator of how many total patients were at the scene

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	xs:integer	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	NumberOfPatientsAtScene
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

- Field Values
- 25 Not Applicable
 - 15 Not Reporting
 - 10 Not Known
 - 5 Not Available
 - ? None
 - ? Single
 - ? Multiple

Data Collector
EMS personnel

Content
No historical content for this element.

Discussion
There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison
This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

MASS CASUALTY INCIDENT

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indicator if this event would be considered a mass casualty incident (overwhelmed existing EMS resources)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	YesNoValues
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- 0 No
- 1 Yes

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

INCIDENT LOCATION TYPE

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The kind of location where the incident happened

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>IncidentLocationType</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Home/Residence
- ? Farm
- ? Mine or Quarry
- ? Industrial Place and Premises
- ? Place of Recreation or Sport
- ? Street or Highway
- ? Public Building (schools, gov. offices)
- ? Trade or service (business, bars, restaurants, etc)
- ? Health Care Facility (clinic, hospital, nursing home)
- ? Residential Institution (Nursing Home, jail/prison)
- ? Lake, River, Ocean
- ? Other Location

Additional Information

Based on ICD-9

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The Place of Occurrence codes are used to 'type' or classify the location where the incident occurred, not necessarily the origin of the transport. If the Nursing Home is a retirement center for independent living with no health care provided unless needed, it is a Residential institution. If the nursing home is providing ongoing medical care, it is a Health Care Facility.

Discussion

While the codes are strictly for categorizing the "place where the accident or poisoning occurred," the Location Type field is used to categorize all EMS incidents.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

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INCIDENT FACILITY CODE

Data Format [text]

Definition

The state or regulatory number (code) associated with the facility if the Incident is a Healthcare Facility.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>IncidentFacilityCode</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	30

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Could be a editable list box Created from Hospitals Facility Number (D04_12) and Other Destination Facility Number (D04_14) (Elective NEMSIS elements)

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

This identifier must be unique within California, and should be the HIPAA National Provider identifier.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

SCENE GPS LOCATION

Data Format [text]

Definition

The GPS coordinates associated with the Scene.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:decimal</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>GPSLocation</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD No			
XSD Attributes: Latitude and Longitude are each stored as a separate attribute			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

Latitude is recorded as positive north decimal degrees (e.g., +37.3943825 degrees).

Longitude is recorded as positive east decimal degrees (e.g., -122.0384625 degrees).

Altitude is measured in meters above mean sea level in WGS-84 (e.g., 385.69 meters).

Discussion

This GPS position identifies the latitude, longitude, and altitude at the EMS incident scene at which the EMS response unit stops and the EMS response personnel disembark.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

INCIDENT CITY

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The city or township (if applicable) where the patient was found or to which the unit responded (or best approximation)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	City
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	30
XSD Structure: E08_11, E08_12, E08_14, E08_15 are all members of E08_11_0 Incident Address Structure			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

? Could be filled in from Incident Zip Code entry (E08_15)

? 5 digit FIPS Code

Data Collector

EMS agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

This field uses the local city codes of each LEMSA

Discussion

The city location of the incident may facilitate probabilistic linkage to vital statistics, crash reports and hospital data.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

INCIDENT COUNTY

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The county where the patient was found or to which the unit responded (or best approximation)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	County
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	5

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? 003 Alpine

? 005 Amador

? 007 Butte

? 009 Calaveras

? 011 Colusa

? 013 Contra Costa

? 015 Del Norte

? 017 El Dorado

? 019 Fresno

? 021 Glenn

? 023 Humboldt

? 025 Imperial

? 027 Inyo

? 029 Kern

? 031 Kings

? 033 Lake

? 035 Lassen

? 037 Los Angeles

? 039 Madera

? 041 Marin

? 043 Mariposa

? 045 Mendocino

? 047 Merced

? 049 Modoc

? 051 Mono

? 053 Monterey

? 055 Napa

? 057 Nevada

? 059 Orange

- ? 061 Placer
- ? 063 Plumas
- ? 065 Riverside
- ? 067 Sacramento
- ? 069 San Benito
- ? 071 San Bernardino
- ? 073 San Diego
- ? 075 San Francisco
- ? 077 San Joaquin
- ? 079 San Luis Obispo
- ? 081 San Mateo
- ? 083 Santa Barbara
- ? 085 Santa Clara
- ? 087 Santa Cruz
- ? 089 Shasta
- ? 091 Sierra
- ? 093 Siskiyou
- ? 095 Solano
- ? 097 Sonoma
- ? 099 Stanislaus
- ? 101 Sutter
- ? 103 Tehama
- ? 105 Trinity
- ? 107 Tulare
- ? 109 Tuolumne
- ? 111 Ventura
- ? 113 Yolo
- ? 115 Yuba

Additional Information

- ? Could be filled in from Incident Zip Code entry (E08_15)
- ? Stored as a FIPS code
- ? Stored as a 5 digit FIPS code (combining the state and county code) to take into account agencies may serve more than one state and counties are often named the same from state to state

Data Collector

EMS agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

This field uses the standard California County Codes (listed above).

Discussion

The county location of the incident may facilitate probabilistic linkage to vital statistics, crash reports or hospital data for the same county. The field can be used to link with federal census data aggregated by the California Department of Finance.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

The CEMSIS variable list is tailored for California

INCIDENT STATE

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The state, territory, or province where the patient was found or to which the unit responded (or best approximation)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:string* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *State*

Multiple Entry Configuration No **Accepts Null** Yes

Required in XSD No **Minimum Constraint** 2 **Maximum Constraint** 3

XSD Structure: E08_11, E08_12, E08_14, E08_15 are all members of E08_11_0 Incident Address Structure

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? 2 Alaska

? 4 Arizona

? 5 Arkansas

? 6 California

? 8 Colorado

? 9 Connecticut

? 10 Delaware

? 11 District of Columbia

? 12 Florida

? 13 Georgia

? 15 Hawaii

? 16 Idaho

? 17 Illinois

? 18 Indiana

? 19 Iowa

? 20 Kansas

? 21 Kentucky

? 22 Louisiana

? 23 Maine

? 24 Maryland

? 25 Massachusetts

? 26 Michigan

? 27 Minnesota

? 28 Mississippi

? 29 Missouri

? 30 Montana

? 31 Nebraska

- ? 32 Nevada
- ? 33 New Hampshire
- ? 34 New Jersey
- ? 35 New Mexico
- ? 36 New York
- ? 37 North Carolina
- ? 38 North Dakota
- ? 39 Ohio
- ? 40 Oklahoma
- ? 41 Oregon
- ? 42 Pennsylvania
- ? 44 Rhode Island
- ? 45 South Carolina
- ? 46 South Dakota
- ? 47 Tennessee
- ? 48 Texas
- ? 49 Utah
- ? 50 Vermont
- ? 51 Virginia
- ? 53 Washington
- ? 54 West Virginia
- ? 55 Wisconsin
- ? 56 Wyoming

Additional Information

- ? Could be filled in from Incident Zip Code entry (E08_15)
- ? 2 digit FIPS code

Data Collector

EMS agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

This field will be coded using the above FIPS (Federal Information Processing Standards) alphabetic codes. This element will be "CA" unless the incident occurs outside of "CA."

Discussion

The state location of the EMS incident may facilitate probabilistic linkage to other data.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

Variables are from FIPS 2 digit state code

INCIDENT ZIP CODE

Data Format [text] *National Minimum Element*

Definition

The ZIP code of the incident location

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Zip</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	10
XSD Structure: E08_11, E08_12, E08_14, E08_15 are all members of E08_11_0 Incident Address Structure			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS agency or may be electronically provided through the 9-1-1 or dispatch center

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PRIOR AID

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Any care which was provided to the patient prior to the arrival of this unit.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	xs:string	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	PriorAid
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	30

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Defibrillation (auto)
- ? Synchronized cardioversion
- ? Pre-existing devices
- ? Removal of foreign body
- ? Valsalva maneuver
- ? Oxygen by mask
- ? Oxygen by cannula
- ? Bag/Valve/Mask
- ? Oropharyngeal airway
- ? Nasopharyngeal airway
- ? Esophageal airway
- ? Esophageal/tracheal airway
- ? Endotracheal intubation
- ? Needle Cricothyrotomy
- ? Needle thoracostomy
- ? Monitor thoracostomy
- ? Assisted ventilation (positive pressure)
- ? Suction tube(s)
- ? Pulse Oximetry
- ? End Tidal CO2
- ? Saline lock
- ? Intravenous catheter
- ? Intraosseous catheter
- ? Monitor pre-existing vascular access
- ? Monitor and adjust IV solutions containing potassium
- ? Monitor and adjust IV solutions containing heparin
- ? Monitor and adjust IV solutions containing
- ? Splint of extremity (non-traction)

- ? Traction splint
- ? Spinal
- ? Normal Saline
- ? 25% Dextrose
- ? 50% Dextrose
- ? Oral Glucose/Sugar Solutions
- ? Activated Charcoal
- ? Adenosine
- ? Aerosolized or nebulized beta-2 specific bronchodilator
- ? Amiodarone
- ? Aspirin
- ? Atropine Sulfate
- ? Beta Agonist (any drug)
- ? Blood & Blood Products
- ? Calcium Chloride
- ? Diazepam (Valium®)
- ? Diazepam (rectal Valium®)
- ? Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride (Benadryl®)
- ? Dopamine Hydrochloride
- ? Epinephrine
- ? Furosemide (Lasix®)
- ? Glucagon
- ? Heparin (intravenous) – IFT ONLY
- ? Ipratropium Bromide (Atrovent®)
- ? Lidocaine Hydrochloride
- ? Lorazepam
- ? Mannitol
- ? Midazolam
- ? Magnesium Sulfate
- ? Morphine Sulfate
- ? Naloxone Hydrochloride
- ? Nitroglycerin Preparations (except IV)
- ? Nitroglycerin (intravenous) IFT ONLY
- ? Nitrous Oxide
- ? Oxygen
- ? Oxytocin (Pitocin®)
- ? Procainamide
- ? Potassium Chloride IFT ONLY
- ? Pralixome Chloride 2 (2 PAM)
- ? Rocuronium Bromide (Zemuron®)
- ? Sodium Bicarbonate
- ? Sodium Thiosulfate
- ? Succinylcholine Chloride (Anectine)
- ? Syrup of Ipecac
- ? Tissue Plasminogen Activator IFT ONLY
- ? Verapamil

Additional Information

List created from Procedures (D04_04) and Medications (D04_06) (Elective NEMSIS elements)

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element .

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

Variables obtained from Procedures (D04_04) and Medications (D04_06)

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PRIOR AID PERFORMED BY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The type of individual who performed the care prior to the arrival of this unit.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PriorAidPerformedBy</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? EMS Provider
- ? Law Enforcement
- ? Lay Person
- ? Other Healthcare Provider
- ? Patient

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

OUTCOME OF THE PRIOR AID

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

What was the outcome or result of the care performed prior to the arrival of the unit?

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>OutcomeOfPriorAid</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Improved
- ? Unchanged
- ? Worse

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

POSSIBLE INJURY

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indicates that the reason for the EMS encounter was related to an injury or traumatic event. This data element provides documentation to classify the EMS Reason for Encounter as either injury or non-injury related based on mechanism and not on actual injury

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	YesNoValues
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable
 -15 Not Reporting
 -10 Not Known
 -5 Not Available
 0 No
 1 Yes

Additional Information

- ? Possible Injury (E09_04), Chief Complaint Anatomic Location (E09_11), Chief Complaint Organ System (E09_12), and Primary Symptom (E09_13) are required to calculate the Reason for Encounter
- ? Can be used to determine which records should have Section E10: Situation/ Trauma completed. If Injury Present (E09_04) is "Yes", Section E10 should be completed

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CHIEF COMPLAINT ANATOMIC LOCATION

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The primary anatomic location of the chief complaint as identified by EMS personnel

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>Complaint Anatomic Location</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD Yes	

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Abdomen

? Back

? Chest

? Extremity-Lower

? Extremity-Upper

? General/Global

? Genitalia

? Head

? Neck

Additional Information

Possible Injury (E09_04), Chief Complaint Anatomic Location (E09_11), Chief Complaint Organ System (E09_12), and Primary Symptom (E09_13) are required to calculate the Reason for Encounter

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CHIEF COMPLAINT ORGAN SYSTEM

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The primary organ system of the patient injured or medically affected. This is to be completed by EMS personnel with a minimum of an EMT-Paramedic level of credentialing.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>ComplaintOrganSystem</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Cardiovascular
- ? CNS/Nero
- ? Endocrine/Metabolic
- ? GI
- ? Global
- ? Musculoskeletal
- ? OB/Gyn
- ? Psych
- ? Pulmonary
- ? Renal
- ? Skin

Additional Information

- ? Possible Injury (E09_04), Chief Complaint Anatomic Location (E09_11), Chief Complaint Organ System (E09_12), and Primary Symptom (E09_13) are required to calculate the Reason for Encounter
- ? This data element is to be completed by EMS personnel at the EMT-Paramedic level or higher

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PRIMARY SYMPTOM

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The primary sign and symptom present in the patient or observed by EMS personnel

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PrimarySymptom</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Bleeding
- ? Breathing Problem
- ? Change in responsiveness
- ? Choking
- ? Death
- ? Device/Equipment Problem
- ? Diarrhea
- ? Drainage/Discharge
- ? Fever
- ? Malaise
- ? Mass/Lesion
- ? Mental/Psych
- ? Nausea/Vomiting
- ? None
- ? Pain
- ? Palpitations
- ? Rash/Itching
- ? Swelling
- ? Transport Only
- ? Weakness
- ? Wound

Additional Information

Possible Injury (E09_04), Chief Complaint Anatomic Location (E09_11), Chief Complaint Organ System (E09_12), and Primary Symptom (E09_13) are required to calculate the Reason for Encounter

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

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OTHER ASSOCIATED SYMPTOMS

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Other symptoms identified by the patient or observed by EMS personnel

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>OtherAssociatedSymptoms</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Bleeding
- ? Breathing Problem
- ? Change in responsiveness
- ? Choking
- ? Death
- ? Device/Equipment Problem
- ? Diarrhea
- ? Drainage/Discharge
- ? Fever
- ? Malaise
- ? Mass/Lesion
- ? Mental/Psych
- ? Nausea/Vomiting
- ? None
- ? Pain
- ? Palpitations
- ? Rash/Itching
- ? Swelling
- ? Transport Only
- ? Weakness
- ? Wound

Additional Information

This data element is used for Bioterrorism Syndromic Surveillance

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element .

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DRAFT

PROVIDERS PRIMARY IMPRESSION

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The EMS personnel's impression of the patient's primary problem or most significant condition which led to the management given to the patient (treatments, medications, or procedures).

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>ProvidersPrimaryImpression</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Cardiac Arrest – non-traumatic
- ? Rhythm Disturbance
- ? Cardiac – non-specific
- ? Chest pain – suspected cardiac origin
- ? Chest Pain – non- specific
- ? Respiratory Arrest
- ? Shortness of Breath – suspected asthma/COPD
- ? Shortness of Breath - suspected pulmonary edema
- ? Apneic Episode
- ? Choking (Airway obstruction)
- ? Respiratory – non- specific
- ? Altered Level of Consciousness (unspecified)
- ? Near Syncope/Syncope
- ? Neurologic Deficit (includes CVA/TIA)
- ? Seizure – Active/Status Epilepticus
- ? Post Seizure
- ? Anaphylactic
- ? Cardiogenic
- ? Hypovolemic
- ? Unspecified Shock
- ? Suspected Poisoning/Drugs – non- specific
- ? Alcohol
- ? Carbon Monoxide
- ? Insecticides
- ? Street Drugs-stimulant
- ? Street Drugs - depressant
- ? Other Drugs/Poisons
- ? Household/industrial ingestion

- ? Pharmaceutical ingestion
- ? Heat Illness/Injury
- ? Cold Illness/Injury
- ? Envenomation
- ? Hazmat Exposure
- ? Vaginal Bleed (non-pregnant)
- ? Vaginal Bleed (pregnant)
- ? Vaginal Bleed (unspecified)
- ? Labor
- ? Delivery
- ? Newborn
- ? Allergic Reaction (unspecified allergen)
- ? Disturbance in Behavior
- ? Phenothiazine Reaction
- ? Hypoglycemia
- ? Hyperglycemia
- ? Abdominal Pain (including pelvic pain)
- ? Vomiting/diarrhea
- ? Gastrointestinal Bleeding
- ? Weak/Dizzy/Sick/Nausea
- ? Headache
- ? Epistaxis (nosebleed)
- ? Fever
- ? Non-traumatic body pain
- ? No Medical Complaint
- ? Obviously Dead
- ? Other
- ? Blunt Injury
- ? Penetrating Injury
- ? Burn
- ? Traumatic Arrest

Additional Information

ICD-9 Codes were retained over ICD-10 due to CMS's continued use of ICD-9 in the EMS Condition Codes

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

This should be the code from the above list that was most important in determining the treatment protocol followed to provide EMS care to the patient.

Discussion

This data element contains the single clinical assessment which primarily determined the treatment provided by the EMS provider. It should be possible to determine whether the treatments or medications provided match protocols that relate to the problem

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

The CEMSIS variable list is more extensive than the NHTSA 2.2.1 list but it will allow data transmittal to NEMSIS

PROVIDER'S SECONDARY IMPRESSION

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The EMS personnel's impression of the patient's secondary problem or which led to the management given to the patient (treatments, medications, or procedures).

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>ProvidersSecondaryImpression</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD Yes	

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? 427.50 - Cardiac Arrest – non-traumatic
- ? 427.90 - Rhythm Disturbance
- ? 536.20 - Cardiac – non- specific
- ? 786.50 - Chest pain – suspected cardiac origin
- ? 786.59 - Chest Pain – non-specific
- ? 799.10 - Respiratory Arrest
- ? 493.00 - Shortness of Breath – suspected asthma/COPD
- ? 428.10 - Shortness of Breath - suspected pulmonary edema
- ? 786.03 - Apneic Episode
- ? 784.90 - Choking (Airway obstruction)
- ? 786.09 - Respiratory – non-specific
- ? 780.01 - Altered Level of Consciousness (unspecified)
- ? 780.20 - Near Syncope/Syncope
- ? 434.91 - Neurologic Deficit (includes CVA/TIA)
- ? 780.39 - Seizure – Active/Status Epilepticus
- ? 780.39 - Post Seizure
- ? 995.00 - Anaphylactic
- ? 785.51 - Cardiogenic
- ? 785.59 - Hypovolemic
- ? 785.59 - Unspecified Shock
- ? 977.90 - Suspected Poisoning/Drugs – non- specific
- ? 291.90 - Alcohol
- ? 986.00 – Carbon Monoxide
- ? 692.40 - Insecticides
- ? 304.40 - Street Drugs- stimulant
- ? 305.20 - Street Drugs - depressant
- ? 977.90 - Other Drugs/Poisons
- ? 693.80 - Household/industrial ingestion
- ? 693.00 – Pharmaceutical ingestion
- ? 780.60 - Heat Illness/Injury
- ? 780.90 - Cold Illness/Injury
- ? 989.50 - Envenomation
- ? 987.90 - Hazmat Exposure

- ? 623.80 - Vaginal Bleed (non-pregnant)
- ? 623.80 - Vaginal Bleed (pregnant)
- ? 623.80 - Vaginal Bleed (unspecified)
- ? 650.00 - Labor
- ? 650.00 - Delivery
- ? 763.00 - Newborn
- ? 692.90 - Allergic Reaction (unspecified allergen)
- ? 310.90 - Disturbance in Behavior
- ? 969.10 - Phenothiazine Reaction
- ? 250.80 - Hypoglycemia
- ? 790.60 - Hyperglycemia
- ? 789.00 - Abdominal Pain (including pelvic pain)
- ? 787.00 - Vomiting/diarrhea
- ? 578.90 - Gastrointestinal Bleeding
- ? 780.79 - Weak/Dizzy/Sick/Nausea
- ? 784.00 - Headache
- ? 784.70 - Epistaxis (nosebleed)
- ? 780.60 - Fever
- ? 780.99 - Non-traumatic body pain
- ? - No Medical Complaint
- ? 798.90 - Obviously Dead
- ? 781.99 Neurological Deficit non-specific (other)

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The EMS provider's secondary clinical impression code (s) that completes the description (in combination with the Primary Impression) of the patient.

Discussion

This data element contains additional clinical assessment that assists the EMS provider in determining necessary treatment. It should be possible to determine whether the treatments or medications provided match protocols that relate to the primary impression.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

The CEMSIS variable list is more extensive than the NHTSA 2.2.1 list but it will allow data transmittal to NEMSIS

CAUSE OF INJURY

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The category of the reported/suspected external cause of the injury

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>CauseOfInjury</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Motor Vehicle traffic accident
- ? Pedestrian traffic accident
- ? Motor Vehicle non- traffic accident
- ? Bicycle Accident
- ? Water Transport accident
- ? Aircraft related accident
- ? Drug poisoning
- ? Chemical poisoning
- ? Falls
- ? Fire and Flames
- ? Smoke Inhalation
- ? Excessive Heat
- ? Excessive Cold
- ? Venomous stings (plants, animals)
- ? Bites
- ? Lightning
- ? Drowning
- ? Mechanical Suffocation
- ? Machinery accidents
- ? Electrocution (non-lightning)
- ? Radiation exposure
- ? Firearm injury (accidental)
- ? Firearm assault
- ? Firearm self inflicted
- ? Rape
- ? Stabbing assault
- ? Child battering
- ? Intentional, Other (Assaulted)
- ? Swimming Pool – No Fence
- ? Intentional, Self
- ? Swimming Pool – No Gate
- ? Unintentional
- ? Firearm - Unsafe storage
- ? Firearm - No Trigger lock Employed

- ? Poisons/Meds - Easy Access
- ? Window – No Guards in place
- ? Safety Rails – None In place
- ? Obstacle/Hazard - Contribute to injury

Additional Information

- ? ICD-9 Codes were retained over ICD-10 due to CMS's continued use of ICD-9 in the EMS Condition Codes
- ? Complete only if Possible Injury (E09_04) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Possible Injury (E09_04) is answered Yes

Content

It is necessary to have a broad taxonomy for defining the external causes of injury, and this data element is coded in part according to the E codes in ICD-9. The cause of injury cannot be coded exactly as the detailed E-codes. The above code set is not expected to be exact but close approximation.

Discussion

It is recognized that the entire E code list is too cumbersome for field use, and the element may be collapsed into the codes that have been listed above. When possible, the E code should be defined in as much detail as is present in the definitions

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

While the list does not appear to differ significantly, the NHTSA v2.2.1 list is based on E codes. This list would require extensive matching and careful inspection to insure completeness and proper matching.

MECHANISM OF INJURY

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

Definition

The mechanism of the event which caused the injury.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>MechanismOfInjury</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD No			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Blunt

? Burn

? Other

? Penetrating

Additional Information

Complete only if Possible Injury (E09_04) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Possible Injury (E09_04) is answered Yes

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

SAFETY FACTORS

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

Definition

Safety factors that affected the incident.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>UseOfOccupantSafetyEquipment</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration Yes	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD No	

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Auto-Belts-Unrestrained
- ? Auto-Seats Infant/Child Seat
- ? Auto-Front Airbag deployed
- ? Auto-No Airbag deployed
- Auto- Person riding in outside of moving vehicle
- ? Other Vehicle/RV-Helmet Worn
- ? Other Vehicle/RV -Helmet Use unknown
- Other Vehicle/RV-No Pads Worn
- Watercraft-PFD Worn
- ? Watercraft-PFD Use unknown
- Swimming Pool-Self-closing, self latching gate
- Firearms-Trigger lock employed
- ? Firearms-unsafe storage
- Windows-Guards in place
- Obstacle/Hazard-Contribute to injury
- Auto-Belts Restrained
- ? Auto-Belts Unknown Restraint use
- Auto-Seats Booster Seat
- ? Auto-Seats Unknown Seat Use
- Auto-Side Airbag Deployed
- Auto-Child left unattended in auto
- Auto-Person riding unrestrained in bed of truck
- Other Vehicle/RV No Helmet Worn
- Other Vehicle/RV Pads Worn
- ? Other Vehicle/RV Pad use unknown
- Watercraft-PFD not worn

- Swimming Pool-Surrounded by barrier fence
- Poisons/Meds-Easy Access to
- Safety Rails-installed at scene of incident

Additional Information

Complete only if Possible Injury (E09_04) is answered Yes and there is a vehicle involved.

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Possible Injury (E09_04) is answered Yes and there is a vehicle involved

Content

One or more of the above codes can be recorded. For example, an auto crash involving a small child in an infant/child seat secured only by a lap belt with front and side airbags that did not deploy.

Discussion

Provides important information about safety device use in motor vehicle crashes, boating incidents, and industrial incidents. EMS personnel should be as complete as possible when coding for each category to assist in injury prevention activities.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

The CEMSIS data element is a partial match to NEMSIS v2.2.1 but will allow data transmittal to NEMSIS

CARDIAC ARREST

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication of the presence of a cardiac arrest at any time associated with the EMS event.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>CardiacArrest</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- 0 No
- ? Yes, Prior to EMS Arrival
- ? Yes, After EMS Arrival

Additional Information

If answered YES, all other data points in the Situation/CPR should be addressed

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CARDIAC ARREST ETIOLOGY

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication of the etiology or cause of the cardiac arrest (classified as cardiac, non-cardiac, etc.)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>CardiacArrestEtiology</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null
Required in XSD	Yes	Yes

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Presumed Cardiac
- ? Trauma
- ? Drowning
- ? Respiratory
- ? Electrocution
- ? Other

Additional Information

Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

RESUSCITATION ATTEMPTED

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication of an attempt to resuscitate the patient who is in cardiac arrest (attempted, not attempted due to DNR, etc.)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>ResuscitationAttempted</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD Yes			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Attempted Defibrillation
- ? Attempted Ventilation
- ? Initiated Chest Compressions
- ? Not Attempted-Considered Futile
- ? Not Attempted-DNR Orders
- ? Not Attempted-Signs of Circulation

Additional Information

Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

FIRST MONITORED RHYTHM OF THE PATIENT

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

Documentation of what the first monitored rhythm which was noted in a patient with cardiac arrest.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>FirstMonitoredRhythm</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Asystole
- ? Bradycardia
- ? Normal Sinus Rhythm
- ? Other
- ? PEA
- ? Unknown AED Non-Shockable Rhythm
- ? Unknown AED Shockable Rhythm
- ? Ventricular Fibrillation
- ? Ventricular Tachycardia

Additional Information

Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

This field contains the code(s) from the above list for the patient's initial cardiac rhythm as determined by EMS personnel.

Discussion

The initial monitored rhythm is used to assess the survival rate after certain rhythms.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

ANY RETURN OF SPONTANEOUS CIRCULATION

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

Indication whether or not there was any return of spontaneous circulation at any time during the EMS event.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>ReturnOfSpontaneousCirculation</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- 0 No
- ? Yes, Prior to ED Arrival Only
- ? Yes, Prior to ED Arrival and at the ED

Additional Information

Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

Was there a return to spontaneous cardiovascular circulation at any time in the prehospital setting? Yes or No

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

ESTIMATED TIME OF ARREST PRIOR TO EMS ARRIVAL

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The length of time the patient was down (estimated) before the responding unit arrived at the patient

Technical Information

XSD Data Type <i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type) <i>EstimatedTimeOfArrestPriorToEMS</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration No	Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD No	

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? >20 Minutes
- ? 15-20 Minutes
- ? 10-15 Minutes
- ? 8-10 Minutes
- ? 6-8 Minutes
- ? 4-6 Minutes
- ? 2-4 Minutes
- ? 0-2 Minutes

Additional Information

Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

The estimated hour and minute, that a bystander or an EMS responder witnessed the cardiac arrest. Midnight is '000000' and begins the day.

Discussion

This is the time at which a collapse or signs of distress related to cardiac arrest were seen (or heard) by an identifiable witness (either bystander or EMS responder).

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DATE/TIME RESUSCITATION DISCONTINUED

Data Format [date/time]

Definition

The date/time the CPR was discontinued (could be time of death)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:dateTime</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DateTime</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1,990
		Maximum Constraint	2,030

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

- ? Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"
- ? If the date/time is electronically stored within a database or transmitted via XML as a "tick", the referenced variables may also be used

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

The hour, minute, and second when chest compressions and ventilations ceased. Midnight is '000000' and begins the day.

Discussion

The time CPR was discontinued by an EMS responder may be a manually observed time (i.e., one that is not determined using GPS universal time). This time is a core data element for the Utstein Style Template for analysis of attempted cardiac arrest resuscitation.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CARDIAC RHYTHM ON ARRIVAL AT DESTINATION

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

Definition

The patient's cardiac rhythm upon delivery or transfer to the destination

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>CardiacRythmAtDestination</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? 12 Lead ECG-Anterior Ischemia
- ? 12 Lead ECG-Inferior Ischemia
- ? 12 Lead ECG-Lateral Ischemia
- ? Agonal/Idioventricular
- ? Artifact
- ? Asystole
- ? Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter
- ? AV Block-1st Degree
- ? AV Block-2nd Degree- Type 1
- ? AV Block-2nd Degree-Type 2
- ? AV Block-3rd Degree
- ? Junctional
- ? Left Bundle Branch Block
- ? Normal Sinus Rhythm
- ? Other
- ? Paced Rhythm
- ? PEA
- ? Premature Atrial Contractions
- ? Premature Ventricular Contractions
- ? Right Bundle Branch Block
- ? Sinus Arrhythmia
- ? Sinus Bradycardia
- ? Sinus Tachycardia
- ? Supraventricular Tachycardia
- ? Torsades De Points
- ? Unknown AED Non-Shockable Rhythm
- ? Unknown AED Shockable Rhythm
- ? Ventricular Fibrillation
- ? Ventricular Tachycardia

Additional Information

- ? Complete only if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is "Yes"
- ? This data point could be completed by documentation of the final rhythm in the Vital Signs Section (E14) with the appropriate time

Data Collector

EMS personnel if Cardiac Arrest (E11_01) is answered Yes

Content

This field contains the code(s) for the patient's final cardiac rhythm that was monitored by EMS personnel. NOTE: Where PVC and/or PAC are observed in addition to the primary rhythm, the code for the primary rhythm occurs first, and 'PVC' and/or 'PAC' second.

Discussion

The initial monitored rhythm is used to assess the survival rate after certain rhythms.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element.

BARRIERS TO PATIENT CARE

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication of whether or not there were any patient specific barriers to serving the patient at the scene

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>BarriersToPatientCare</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Developmentally Impaired
- ? Hearing Impaired
- ? Language
- ? None
- ? Physically Impaired
- ? Physically Restrained
- ? Speech Impaired
- ? Unattended or Unsupervised (including minors)
- ? Unconscious

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

ALCOHOL/DRUG USE INDICATORS

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indicators for the potential use of Alcohol or Drugs by the patient.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>AlcoholDrugUseIndicators</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Smell of Alcohol on Breath
- ? Patient Admits to Alcohol Use
- ? Patient Admits to Drug Use
- ? Alcohol and/or Drug Paraphernalia at Scene

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

Should be coded as Yes whenever the EMS responder suspects alcohol and/or drug use by the patient contributed to at the time of the incident. If alcohol or drugs are totally unrelated to the incident, this field should be coded as 'N'.

Discussion

Important data element for injury research, permitting reports of value to public health researchers and policy makers.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

CARDIAC RHYTHM

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

Definition

The initial cardiac rhythm of the patient as interpreted by EMS personnel

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>CardiacRythm</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	(1) Yes, via structure. (2) Yes for each E14_01 Date/Time		Accepts Null Yes
Required in XSD	No		
XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? 12 Lead ECG-Anterior Ischemia
- ? 12 Lead ECG-Inferior Ischemia
- ? 12 Lead ECG-Lateral Ischemia
- ? Agonal/Idioventricular
- ? Artifact
- ? Asystole
- ? Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter
- ? AV Block-1st Degree
- ? AV Block-2nd Degree- Type 1
- ? AV Block-2nd Degree-Type 2
- ? AV Block-3rd Degree
- ? Junctional
- ? Left Bundle Branch Block
- ? Normal Sinus Rhythm
- ? Other
- ? Paced Rhythm
- ? PEA
- ? Premature Atrial Contractions
- ? Premature Ventricular Contractions
- ? Right Bundle Branch Block
- ? Sinus Arrhythmia
- ? Sinus Bradycardia
- ? Sinus Tachycardia
- ? Supraventricular Tachycardia
- ? Torsades De Points
- ? Unknown AED Non-Shockable Rhythm
- ? Unknown AED Shockable Rhythm
- ? Ventricular Fibrillation
- ? Ventricular Tachycardia

Data Collector

EMS personnel or may be provided electronically through a medical device

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DRAFT

SBP (SYSTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE)

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's systolic blood pressure

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	SBP
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	400
XSD Structure: (1) Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time. (2) E14_04, E14_05, and E14_06 are all members of E14_04_0 Blood Pressure Structure			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Could be collected from Device Systolic Blood Pressure (E21_14)

Data Collector

EMS personnel or may be provided electronically through a medical device

Content

The patient's systolic blood pressure in millimeters of mercury (mmHg) as determined by EMS personnel.

Discussion

Important component of several scoring systems for triage, and permits some assessment of acuity of patient.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DBP (DIASTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE)

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's diastolic blood pressure

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>DBP</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	300
XSD Structure: (1) Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time. (2) E14_04, E14_05, and E14_06 are all members of E14_04_0 Blood Pressure Structure			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Could be collected from Device Diastolic Blood Pressure (E21_15)

Data Collector

EMS personnel or may be provided electronically through a medical device

Content

The patient's diastolic blood pressure in millimeters of mercury (mmHg) as determined by EMS personnel. If the blood pressure is not auscultated, the diastolic blood pressure shall be documented as palpated (E14_06).

Discussion

Important component of several scoring systems for triage, and permits some assessment of acuity of patient.

CEMIS to NEMIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

METHOD OF BLOOD PRESSURE MEASUREMENT

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

Indication of method of blood pressure procedure.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *MethodOfBloodPressure*

Multiple Entry Configuration Yes, via structure **Accepts Null** No

Required in XSD No

XSD Structure: (1) Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time. (2) E14_04, E14_05, and E14_06 are all members of E14_04_0 Blood Pressure Structure

Field Values

- ? Arterial Line
- ? Automated Cuff
- ? Manual Cuff
- ? Palpated Cuff
- ? Venous Line

Data Collector

EMS personnel or may be provided electronically through a medical device

Content

No historical content for this element .

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PULSE RATE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's pulse rate, palpated or auscultated, expressed as a number per minute

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PulseRate</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	500
XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Could be collected from Device Pulse Rate (E21_13)

Data Collector

EMS personnel or may be provided electronically through a medical device

Content

The patient's pulse rate in number per minute that was determined by EMS personnel.

Discussion

The pulse rate is a component of various triage scoring systems, and permits a rough assessment of the severity of illness of the patient. This data element is based on the physical examination of the patient, and the pulse must be palpated or auscultated

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

RESPIRATORY RATE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's respiratory rate expressed as a number per minute

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>RespiratoryRate</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	100
XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Could be collected from Device Respiratory Rate (E21_16)

Data Collector

EMS personnel or may be provided electronically through a medical device

Content

The patient's unassisted respiratory rate in number per minute as determined by EMS personnel.

Discussion

The respiratory rate is a component of several triage scoring systems and provides some assessment of severity of illness or injury.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

RESPIRATORY EFFORT

Data Format [text]

Definition

The patient's respiratory effort

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *RespiratoryEffort*

Multiple Entry Configuration Yes, via structure **Accepts Null** Yes

Required in XSD No

XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Normal

? Labored

? Fatigued

? Absent

? Not Assessed

? Ventilated

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The code from the above list that indicates the effort required by the patient to breathe as determined by EMS personnel.

Discussion

Respiratory effort is an essential component of pediatric emergency assessment, and is a major part of curricula dealing with pediatric emergencies. Respiratory effort is also potentially valuable in assessing adult patients.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element.

GLASGOW COMA SCORE-EYE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's Glasgow Coma Score Eye opening

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	GCSEye
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1
		Maximum Constraint	4
XSD Structure: (1) Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time. (2) E14_15, E14_16, E14_17, and E14_18 are all members of E14_15_0 GCS Score Structure			

Field Values

- ? All Patients: 1 = None
- ? All Patients: 2 = Opens Eyes in response to painful stimulation
- ? All Patients: 3 = Opens Eyes in response to verbal
- ? All Patients: 4 = Opens Eyes spontaneously stimulation

Additional Information

Can be configured as a single choice list box

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

One of three components of the Glasgow coma scale as determined by EMS personnel, which is widely used to assess neurological status. The score and its components are also parts of a variety of triage scoring systems.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

GLASGOW COMA SCORE-VERBAL

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's Glasgow Coma Score Verbal

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>GCSVerbal</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1
		Maximum Constraint	5
XSD Structure: (1) Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time. (2) E14_15, E14_16, E14_17, and E14_18 are all members of E14_15_0 GCS Score Structure			

Field Values

- ? Patients 0-23 months: 1 = None
- ? Patients 0-23 months: 2 = Persistent cry
- ? Patients 0-23 months: 3 = Inappropriate cry
- ? Patients 0-23 months: 4 = Cries, inconsolable
- ? Patients 0-23 months: 5 = Smiles, coos, cries appropriately
- ? Patients 0-23 months: 9 = Not assessed

- ? Patients 2-5 years: 1 = None
- ? Patients 2-5 years: 2 = Grunts
- ? Patients 2-5 years: 3 = Cries and/or screams
- ? Patients 2-5 years: 4 = Inappropriate words
- ? Patients 2-5 years: 5 = Appropriate words
- ? Patients 2-5 years: 9 = Not assessed

- ? Patients >5 years: 1 = None
- ? Patients >5 years: 2 = Non-specified sounds
- ? Patients >5 years: 3 = Inappropriate words
- ? Patients >5 years: 4 = Confused conversation or speech
- ? Patients >5 years: 5 = Oriented and appropriate speech

Additional Information

Can be configured as a single choice list box

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

If the patient is intubated and deeply comatose, then this data element is coded as 1 for none, since there was no verbal response at the time of intubation. However, if the patient is intubated and able to nod correctly to questions.

Discussion

One of three components of the Glasgow coma scale as determined by EMS personnel, which is widely used to assess neurological status. The score and its components are also parts of a variety of triage scoring systems.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

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GLASGOW COMA SCORE-MOTOR

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's Glasgow Coma Score Motor

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>GCSMotor</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1
		Maximum Constraint	6
XSD Structure: (1) Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time. (2) E14_15, E14_16, E14_17, and E14_18 are all members of E14_15_0 GCS Score Structure			

Field Values

- ? Patients up to 5 years: 1 = None
- ? Patients up to 5 years: 2 = Extensor posturing in response to painful stimulation
- ? Patients up to 5 years: 3 = Flexor posturing in response to painful stimulation
- ? Patients up to 5 years: 4 = General withdrawal in response to painful stimulation
- ? Patients up to 5 years: 5 = Localization of painful stimulation
- ? Patients up to 5 years: 6 = Spontaneous

- ? Patients >5 years: 1 = None
- ? Patients >5 years: 2 = Extensor posturing in response to painful stimulation
- ? Patients >5 years: 3 = Flexor posturing in response to painful stimulation
- ? Patients >5 years: 4 = General response to painful stimulation
- ? Patients >5 years: 5 = Localization of painful stimulation
- ? Patients >5 years: 6 = Obeys commands with appropriate motor responses

Additional Information

Can be configured as a single choice list box

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

One of three components of the Glasgow coma scale as determined by EMS personnel, which is widely used to assess neurological status. The score and its components are also parts of a variety of triage scoring systems.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TOTAL GLASGOW COMA SCORE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's total Glasgow Coma Score

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>TotalGCS</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1
		Maximum Constraint	15
XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Calculated from Glasgow Coma Score-Eye (E14_15), Glasgow Coma Score-Verbal (E14_16), and Glasgow Coma Score-Motor (E14_17)

Data Collector

EMS personnel but could be auto-generated based on the information entered into an electronic patient care report

Content

The calculated Glasgow Coma Score is the sum of the eye opening, verbal and motor response components. The range of the score is 3 to 15.

Discussion

This important component of several triage scoring systems provides information about the severity of a neurological disorder.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PAIN SCALE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's indication of pain from a scale of 0 –10.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>PainScale</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	10
XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time			

Field Values

? 0
 ? 1
 ? 2
 ? 3
 ? 4
 ? 5
 ? 6
 ? 7
 ? 8
 ? 9
 ? 10

Additional Information

Number from 0 to 10

Data Collector

EMS agency

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

REVISED TRAUMA SCORE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's Revised Trauma Score

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	RTS
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes, but null value is blank or empty
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	12
XSD Structure: Each element in section E14 is associated with a E14_01 Date/Time			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

- ? Can be auto-calculated from Respiratory Rate (E14_11), Systolic Blood Pressure (E14_04), and Total GCS (E14_19), if all three components are documented at the same Time (E14_01)
- ? Calculated based on 3 components
- ? Respiratory Rate Component: 4 = 10 - 29 per minute, 3 = >29 per minute, 2 = 6 - 9 per minute, 1 = 1 - 5 per minute, 0 = None spontaneous
- ? Systolic Blood Pressure Component: 4 = >89 mm Hg, 3 = 76 - 89 mm Hg, 2 = 50 - 75 mm Hg, 1 = 1 - 49 mm Hg, 0 = No pulse
- ? Neurological Component: 4 = Glasgow coma score 13 - 15, 3 = Glasgow coma score 9 - 12, 2 = Glasgow coma score 6 - 8, 1 = Glasgow coma score 4 - 5, 0 = Glasgow coma score 3

Data Collector

EMS personnel but could be auto-generated based on the information entered into an electronic patient care report

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

The revised trauma score is a triage scoring system that may be used to categorize injured patients in an EMS system and is calculable from other data elements that are core elements of the uniform data set.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

ESTIMATED BODY WEIGHT

Data Format [number]

Definition

The patient's body weight in kilograms, either measured or estimated

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>EstimatedBodyWeight</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	1
		Maximum Constraint	500

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

This weight should be a suitable estimate or for pediatric patients the approximate mid-point of the length based resuscitation tape weight range, or other suitable estimate.

Discussion

The approximate weight (in kilograms) of the patient is essential for pediatrics. Estimates may be based upon the length based resuscitation tape category that converts length into a weight range, and has the appropriate size and dose range for that weight

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

MEDICATION GIVEN

Data Format [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The medication given to the patient

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>MedicationsGiven</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2
		Maximum Constraint	30
XSD Structure: All data elements section E18 are members of the E18 Medication Structure			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Normal Saline
- ? 25% Dextrose
- ? 50% Dextrose
- ? Oral Glucose/Sugar Solutions
- ? Activated Charcoal
- ? Adenosine
- ? Aerosolized or nebulized beta-2 specific bronchodilator
- ? Amiodarone
- ? Aspirin
- ? Atropine Sulfate
- ? Beta Agonist (any drug)
- ? Blood & Blood Products
- ? Calcium Chloride
- ? Diazepam (Valium®)
- ? Diazepam (rectal Valium®)
- ? Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride (Benadryl®)
- ? Dopamine Hydrochloride
- ? Epinephrine
- ? Furosemide (Lasix®)
- ? Glucagon
- ? Heparin (intravenous) – IFT ONLY
- ? Ipratropium Bromide (Atrovent®)
- ? Lidocaine Hydrochloride
- ? Lorazepam
- ? Mannitol
- ? Midazolam
- ? Magnesium Sulfate
- ? Morphine Sulfate

- ? Naloxone Hydrochloride
- ? Nitroglycerin Preparations (except IV)
- ? Nitroglycerin (intravenous) IFT ONLY
- ? Nitrous Oxide
- ? Oxygen
- ? Oxytocin (Pitocin®)
- ? Procainamide
- ? Potassium Chloride IFT ONLY
- ? Pralixome Chloride 2 (2 PAM)
- ? Rocuronium Bromide (Zemuron®)
- ? Sodium Bicarbonate
- ? Sodium Thiosulfate
- ? Succinylcholine Chloride (Anectine)
- ? Syrup of Ipecac
- ? Tissue Plasminogen Activator IFT ONLY
- ? Verapamil

Additional Information

List created from Medications (D04_06)

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The medications listed above include those in the scope of practice for EMT-I, EMT-II and EMT-P and optional scope of practice approved for individual local EMS agencies. Some are approved only for inter-facility transfer (IFT) patients.

Discussion

Intended to provide planners and educators with information about which medications are administered in the field, by whom, and for what indications.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

List created from Medications (D04_06)

MEDICATION ADMINISTERED ROUTE

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The route that the medication was administered to the patient.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *MedicationAdministeredRoute*

Multiple Entry Configuration Yes, via structure **Accepts Null** Yes

Required in XSD No

XSD Structure: All data elements section E18 are members of the E18 Medication Structure

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Endotracheal tube

? Gastrostomy tube

? Inhalation

? Intramuscular

? Intraosseous

? Intraocular

? Intravenous

? Nasal

? Nasal prongs

? Nasogastric

? Ophthalmic

? Oral

? Other/miscellaneous

? Otic

? Re-breather mask

? Rectal

? Subcutaneous

? Sublingual

? Topical

? Tracheostomy

? Transdermal

? Urethral

? Ventimask

? Wound

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

Documentation of route used for each medication given to a patient.

Discussion

This data element documents the route for each medication as some medications can be administered multiple routes.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

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MEDICATION DOSAGE

Data Format [number]

Definition

The dose or amount of medication given to the patient

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:decimal</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>MedicationDosage</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	0
		Maximum Constraint	1,000,000
XSD Structure: (1) All data elements section E18 are members of the E18 Medication Structure.			
(2) E18_05 and E18_06 are members of E18_05_0 Medication Dosing Structure			

Field Values

Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

Documentation of the dosage for each medication administered to a patient including the decimal point. PRN orders should be documented in the open comment field on the PCR, but not recorded in this field unless the medication is actually given.

Discussion

Documentation of dosage should only be for those medications actually administered to a patient. When giving IV fluids, the amount given in the field until the time of arrival at the hospital should be recorded here.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

MEDICATION DOSAGE UNITS

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The units of medication dosage given to patient

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *MedicationDosageUnits*

Multiple Entry Configuration Yes, via structure **Accepts Null** No

Required in XSD No

XSD Structure: (1) All data elements section E18 are members of the E18 Medication Structure.
(2) E18_05 and E18_06 are members of E18_05_0 Medication Dosing Structure

Field Values

- ? GMS
- ? Inches
- ? IU
- ? KVO (TKO)
- ? L/MIN
- ? LITERS
- ? LPM
- ? MCG
- ? MCG/KG/MIN
- ? MEQ
- ? MG
- ? MG/KG/MIN
- ? ML
- ? ML/HR
- ? Other
- ? Puffs

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

Documentation of the dosage unit for each medication administered to a patient.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

RESPONSE TO MEDICATION

Data Format [combo] single-choice

Definition

The patient's response to the medication.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>ResponseToMedication</i>
Multiple Entry Configuration	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD No			
XSD Structure: All data elements section E18 are members of the E18 Medication Structure			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Improved
- ? Unchanged
- ? Worse

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

Documentation of result of medications given to a patient by pre-hospital personnel.

Discussion

This data element permits the evaluation of the benefits of medications given in the field.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

MEDICATION COMPLICATION

Data Format [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Any complication (abnormal effect on the patient) associated with the administration of the medication to the patient by EMS

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *MedicationComplication*

Multiple Entry Configuration (1) Yes, via structure. (2) Yes **Accepts Null** Yes
for each E14_01 Date/Time

Required in XSD Yes

XSD Structure: All data elements section E18 are members of the E18 Medication Structure

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? None
- ? Altered Mental Status
- ? Apnea
- ? Bleeding
- ? Bradycardia
- ? Diarrhea
- ? Extravasation
- ? Hypertension
- ? Hyperthermia
- ? Hypotension
- ? Hypoxia
- ? Injury
- ? Itching/Urticaria
- ? Nausea
- ? Other
- ? Respiratory Distress
- ? Tachycardia
- ? Vomiting

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element.

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PROCEDURE

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The procedure performed on the patient.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:decimal</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Procedure</i>
Multiple Entry	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum	0
		Maximum	1,000
XSD Structure: Data Elements E19_01 through E19_11 are all members of E19_01_0 Procedure Structure			

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Defibrillation (manual)
- ? Defibrillation (auto)
- ? Synchronized cardioversion
- ? Pre-existing devices
- ? Removal of foreign body
- ? Valsalva maneuver
- ? Oxygen by mask
- ? Oxygen by cannula
- ? Bag/Valve/Mask
- ? Oropharyngeal airway
- ? Nasopharyngeal airway
- ? Esophageal airway
- ? Esophageal/tracheal airway
- ? Endotracheal intubation
- ? Needle Cricothyrotomy
- ? Needle thoracostomy
- ? Monitor thoracostomy tube(s)
- ? Assisted ventilation
- ? Suction
- ? Pulse Oximetry
- ? End Tidal CO2
- ? Saline lock
- ? Intravenous catheter
- ? Monitor pre-existing vascular access
- ? Intraosseous catheter
- ? Monitor and adjust IV solutions containing nitroglycerine
- ? Monitor and adjust IV solutions containing heparin
- ? Monitor and adjust IV solutions containing potassium
- ? Splint of extremity (non-traction)
- ? Spinal

? Traction splint

Additional Information

List created from Procedures (D04_04)

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The procedures listed above include those in the scope of practice for EMT-I, EMT-II and EMT-P and optional scope of practice approved for individual local EMS agencies. The coding system used is the ICD-9 Procedure

Discussion

Intended to provide planners and educators with information about which procedures are conducted in the field, by whom, and for what indications. Procedures are defined here as anything done by way of assessment or treatment of the patient.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

NUMBER OF PROCEDURE ATTEMPTS

Data [number]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The number of attempts taken to complete a procedure or intervention regardless of success

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Number of Procedure Attempts</i>
Multiple Entry	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	-25
		Maximum Constraint	100
XSD Structure: Data Elements E19_01 through E19_11 are all members of E19_01_0 Procedure Structure			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

For procedures list in E19_03 that are performed on the patient, this field indicates the number of attempts per EMS personnel regardless of success.

Discussion

In most instances, the number will be '1'. This data element permits educators and researchers to know whether certain procedures are posing particular technical problems in the field.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PROCEDURE SUCCESSFUL

Data [combo] single-choice *National Minimum Element*

Definition

Indication of whether or not the procedure performed on the patient was successful

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	Yes No Values
Multiple Entry	Yes, via structure	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		
XSD Structure: Data Elements E19_01 through E19_11 are all members of E19_01_0 Procedure Structure			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable
 -15 Not Reporting
 -10 Not Known
 -5 Not Available
 0 No
 1 Yes

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

Documentation of result/success of each procedure attempted on a patient by pre-hospital personnel. Result/Success should be documented for each personnel who attempts a procedure. All procedures listed in E19_03 should have result/success documented.

Discussion

This data element permits educators and researchers to know whether certain procedures are posing particular technical problems in the field.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

PROCEDURE COMPLICATION

Data [combo] multiple-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Any complication associated with the performance of the procedure on the patient

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer* **XSD Domain (Simple Type)** *ProcedureComplication*

Multiple Entry (1) Yes, via structure. **Accepts Null** Yes
(2) Yes for each E14_01

Required in XSD Yes

XSD Structure: Data Elements E19_01 through E19_11 are all members of E19_01_0 Procedure Structure

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? None

? Altered Mental Status

? Apnea

? Bleeding

? Bradycardia

? Diarrhea

? Esophageal Intubation- immediately

? Esophageal Intubation-other

? Extravasation

? Hyperthermia

? Hypertension

? Hypoxia

? Hypotension

? Itching/Urticaria

? Injury

? Tachycardia

? Nausea

? Vomiting

? Respiratory Distress

? Other

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element.

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DESTINATION/TRANSFERRED TO, NAME

Data [text]

Definition

The destination the patient was delivered or transferred to

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Destination Transferred To ID</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	No	Minimum Constraint	2 Maximum Constraint 50

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Could be an editable single choice list box derived from Hospitals Served (D04_11) and Other Destinations

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The hospital and EMS provider agency identifier must be unique and should be a unique identifier determined by the State EMS Authority.

Discussion

This field will be used to link patient care data from different sources (e.g., EMS first responder and transport agencies, and the receiving hospital).

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

DESTINATION ZIP CODE

Data [text]

National Minimum Element

Definition

The destination zip code in which the patient was delivered or transferred to

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:string</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Zip</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes	Minimum Constraint	2 Maximum Constraint 10
XSD Structure: E20_03, E20_04, E20_05, and E20_07 are all members of E2_03_0 Destination Address Structure			

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Relevant Value for Data Element & Patient Care

Additional Information

Can be 5 or 9 digit Zip Code

Data Collector

EMS provider agency or may be electronically provided through the 911 or dispatch center

Content

No historical content for this element

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

INCIDENT/PATIENT DISPOSITION

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Type of disposition treatment and/or transport of the patient.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>IncidentPatientDisposition</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	No
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- ? Response cancelled
- ? Patient dead upon arrival of EMS responders
- ? No patient found
- ? No treatment required
- ? Patient/parent refused care and transport
- ? Treated and not transported by EMS personnel
- ? Transferred care to other EMS unit
- ? Transported to receiving facility
- ? Treated, Transported by Law Enforcement
- ? Treated, Transported by Private Vehicle
- ? Transported but patient/parent refused care
- ? Discontinued resuscitation
- ? Treated but patient/parent refused transport

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

One of the above codes that indicates the disposition of the EMS response.

Discussion

The variables list for this element was altered to match the original CA dataset

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

The variable list for this element was altered to match the original CA dataset while still trying to be inclusive of NHTSA 2.2.1. It will allow data transmittal to NEMSIS

TRANSPORT MODE FROM SCENE

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indication whether or not lights and/or sirens were used on the vehicle while leaving scene

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Transport Mode From Scene</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Initial Lights and Sirens, Downgraded to No Lights or Sirens

? Initial No Lights or Sirens, Upgraded to Lights and Sirens

? Lights and Sirens

? No Lights or Sirens

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The code that identifies the use of lights and/or sirens during transport from the incident scene to the destination

Discussion

This field provides the data to determine the frequency with which EMS vehicles are using lights and/or sirens during transport from the EMS incident scene to the destination.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

REASON FOR CHOOSING DESTINATION

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The reason the unit chose to deliver or transfer the patient to the destination

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Reason For Choosing Destination</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Closest Facility (none below)
- ? Diversion
- ? Family Choice
- ? Insurance Status
- ? Law Enforcement Choice
- ? On-Line Medical Direction
- ? Other
- ? Patient Choice
- ? Patient's Physicians Choice
- ? Protocol
- ? Specialty Resource Center

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

The code (from those above) that indicates the primary reason the destination was selected. Closest facility should be chosen if none of the other variables are appropriate.

Discussion

Helps EMS managers determine whether the choice of destination was appropriate.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

TYPE OF DESTINATION

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The type of destination the patient was delivered or transferred to

Technical Information

XSD Data Type *xs:integer*

Multiple Entry No

Required in XSD Yes

XSD Domain (Simple Type) *Type of Destination*

Accepts Null Yes

Field Values

-25 Not Applicable

-15 Not Reporting

-10 Not Known

-5 Not Available

? Home

? Hospital

? Medical Office/Clinic

? Morgue

? Nursing Home

? Other

? Other EMS Responder (air)

? Other EMS Responder (ground)

? Police/Jail

Data Collector

EMS personnel

Content

No historical content for this element

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

There was no prior California element that was similar to this element.

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DISPOSITION

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

The known disposition of the patient from the Emergency Department (ED)

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Emergency Department Disposition</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 10 Not Known
- 5 Not Available
- ? Admitted to Hospital Floor
- ? Admitted to Hospital ICU
- ? Death
- ? Not Applicable (Not Transported to ED)
- ? Released
- ? Transferred

Data Collector

EMS provider agency: Could be collected by EMS Administration or electronically provided through linkage with hospital databases

Content

No historical content for this element

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element

HOSPITAL DISPOSITION

Data [combo] single-choice

National Minimum Element

Definition

Indicator of how the patient was dispositioned from the hospital, if admitted.

Technical Information

XSD Data Type	<i>xs:integer</i>	XSD Domain (Simple Type)	<i>Hospital Disposition</i>
Multiple Entry	No	Accepts Null	Yes
Required in XSD	Yes		

Field Values

- 25 Not Applicable
- 15 Not Reporting
- 5 Not Available
- 10 Not Known
- ? Death
- ? Discharged
- ? Transfer to Hospital
- Transfer to Rehabilitation Facility
- Transfer to Other
- ? Transfer to Nursing Home

Data Collector

EMS provider agency: Could be collected by EMS Administration or electronically provided through linkage with hospital databases

Content

No historical content for this element

Discussion

There are no discussion points related to this element.

CEMSIS to NEMSIS Comparison

This element has been determined to be equivalent to the NHTSA v2.2.1 element